etter from J. W. Simmons.

Pacific Grove, Cal., July 24, 1905. ewhat reluctantly comply with uest for a letter as words poore what the eyesisee.

trains have come, we are more than three thousand Owosso. Practically as far ondon or Paris.

located for a few days of rest sure about one hundred e miles south of San Franthe old Spanish town of nd where we get the wind om the Pacific ocean.

ingly beautiful function e last Saturday, called f Lanterns. It was in Japinese. Thousands erns were hung from and other places. The at for half a mile was liancy. High, rocky te, jutting into the owned with colored ty small sail boats lly decorated with and from the Fiftry stationed at the terey, gave several phorus of a hundred cellent music. The under the manageutauqua Assembly, and its sissions herain commemoration

.e drowning of a high caste are lady, which occurred one thousand years ago. A large boat represented the boat from which she was lost. A line of boats surrounding this, represented the boats searching for the body. Other boats carrying large fires of burning pine wood and cones, represented the fires maintained during the starch.

As these boats were all in motion, the effect was beautiful. The whole program was accompanied and closed with a grand display of fireworks.

Tolay we attend the military review at the army post or Presidio. One regiment of infantry and several troops of cavalry are stationed here. The review is to be in charge of Ganeral Funston of Aguinaldo fame. General Grant is also; here. Before leaving home, I read that stories are the only things that thrive in California without irrigation. I have become thoroughly convinced of the truth of the assertion, and believe the statement of fact could be made to apply far outside the boundaries of the Golden state.

Commencing in Western Nebraska, thence through Colorado, Utah, Nevada and California, everything is practically dried up and brown, except where the land is watered from irrigation ditches. There are some small areas kept a little green from local streams. It seems strange to see so many streams without water, the water having been taken by irrigation

companies. As our plan of travel has been to stop in towns at night and travel by day, we have seen practically the whole country en route. For two days in Colorado, Utah and Nevada, we were nearly the whole time in a desert country, yet it would all yield abund-

was shown by a few isolated areas The worst spot of all was the Salt Lake Desert west of the body of water known as the Great Salt Lake. Re. cently the Southern Pacific road has beer greatly shortened by the Lucien cut off across the middle of the lake. There are thirty-two miles of approaches and bridge work, thirteen being in clear water. After traversiog these thirty-two miles we enter the desert proper. For fifty miles not a green or live thing is feen outside the train. Just a level plain of dirty salt, giving a blinding reflection of the sug's rays.

The whole western country is one grand panorama of mountain, plain and desert. What could be more grand than Royal Gorge on the Arkansas, where the rocks tower almost ver tically, twenty-three hundred feet above our train, and repeated in a different form as we go down the Black Caron of the Gunnison river?

Where can you find finer examples of engineering skill than the Short Line railroad from Colorado Springs to Oripple Creek, where the curves in mountain climbing; make a distance of forty-five miles to really go eighteen? Where in one place the train goes three miles to gain sixteen hundred feet, and makes an ascent of five hundret forty fest. At the top point, you can look down and see four lines of parallel read over which you have come. On a grander scale is the climb of heavy trains over Marsball pass, rear Mount Oursy. The sweep is greater as the climb is higher. As

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the train stops on the summit, you go | ing to get it. Some may, I do not beout and stand on the ridge of the con- lieve all will. I went one day ever to tinent that divides the waters of the Redondo Beach to see a boom in pro-Atlantic from those of the Pacific.

the ascent by rail of Pikes Peak. This | the bubble burst a day or two later. is by a cog railway. From Manitou to C. P. Huntington, the great railroad the summit is eight miles and the ascent above Manitou is seven thousand eight hundred forty, feet. In going improvements. Immediately people the last two and one-fourth miles the rise in elevation is two thousand feet. In this part of the trip, we reached out of the car window and got snow from the banks piled beside the road.

From the top, a grand panorama was spread out extending for one hundred fifty miles. The grandest part of this scene to me was an extended mountains snow capped for more than one hundred miles.

California is a great state. Great in wealth, in fruits and flowers, in productions, and great is the vast extent of its arid lands.

Nearly the entire vegetation is unlike that of Michigan. Live oaks, twenty-two thousand and fifty dollars. olives, pepper trees, magnolias, English walnuts, palms, lemons, oranges, redbe found. Even the small plants are a population of about eight hundred. different. Farming is not the same This whole craze was occasioned by a the ranches in the vicinity of Stock- millions of eastern money was spent ton. Wheat, barley, and hay have in southern California by tourists. been ripe for two months, and yet There will be a climax some day and great areas are still uncut and will re- many suckers will be in the net. These This is not one of those stories that thrive without irrigation. (There is make the most of my trip, and conmore than one way to irrigate out sequently am seeing things. here.) I saw one combined machine at work cutting wheat by steam in Oregon before reaching Portland. power. The cut was twenty-eight After doing the Lewis and Clark exfeet wide. It was more of a heading position we will go to Tacoma, Seattle process as the grain was cut high. thence east by the Northern Pacific The grain was cut, threshed, and road, stopping at Ye'lowstone Park sacked as the machine progressed, for a drive of six days therein. Will seven men being required. Near the leave this road at Billings and go to coast the grain is bound, and then Kansas City, Quincy, and some Illithreshed by stationery machines, as nois towns, reaching home in time to the foggy weather prevents the thresh- take up our school work in Saptember. ing by the header process. After sacking the grain, the sacks are piled on the ocean to Catalina Island, and up in the fields and often are left for had the privilege of seeing a big whale several weeks without cover. You must remember that there is no rain visited wonderful marine gardens, from the lastiof April until the middle and saw their beauties thru glass botor last of October. Hay, they call it tomed beats. hay, is out and left in small bunches for weeks, before they draw it. Men experienced in hay pressing told me that it was a ruinous way to do things, as the hay becomes filled with dust,

wind. They speak of wheat hay and oat hay. The latter being wild oats. The hay is merely a mixture of several things that have come up from previous wheat seeding. There is no timothy or clover as in Michigan. The hay is of the color and consistancy of our straw.

and the life is taken out by sun and

Alfalfa is coming into use and to a large extent in some localities. But the poor method of making the hay partly spoils the crop. By irrigation and on strong land, they raise four or five crops in one year, on same ground.

Sugar beet culture is one of the in the vicinity of Denver are planted to beets. In the Provo Valley, near Utah Lake, thousands of acres of beets were looking well. But the place of all places where we saw bests growing was in the vicinity of Oxpard in the Santa Clara Valley. For miles and miles and nearly the whole width of the valley, it was one great field of blets. They were barvesting beets in this section. At Oxcard is a factory baving a capacity of 20,000 tons per

There is an immense amount of crude or heavy oil used on the country roads. Some counties use as much as twenty thousand barrels per year. This is to keep down the dust. I saw fine dust three inches deep on a road that was not oiled.

There are many things I would like to say about the cities of Denver, Salt Lake City, Stockton, Sacramento, Pasadena, Los Angeles, and San Francisco, but time does not permit. We were in Frisco, as they call it, but two days, but are going back to spend several more. While in Salt Lake City we had the pleasure of hearing the great Mormon Tabernacle Organ, and we have been through China town in Frisco.

We were five days in Los Angeles and the sole topic of conversation on street, car, or cab was real estate. In my estimation the people have gone daft on the question. They are realestate-mad. The Los Angeles Times says there are over six hundred addi tions to the city now on the market, and this means so much territory withdrawn from production. When platted, streets must be graded, walks and crossings built, and some few improvements made. The editor claims that these additions will accommodate s population of four hundred thousand. In its test years, the c ty has gained twenty thousand, so there are enough lots now on the market and ucoccupied, to last for twen'y years to come.

Lots six miles from the down town district that one year ago were held at seven hurdred dollars, now have a price of fourseen hundred dollars upon them, and the holders say they are go-

gress. It commenced Saturday, I was A somewhat different enterprise is there the following Wednesday, and magnate, had purchased one thousand acres there for railroad terminals and were insane. They were there by thousands, acting worse than dealers in a wheat pit in Chicago board of trade. Lots commenced seiling at one hundred fifty dollars, charged bands quickly at five hundred, then at one thousand, and the mercury of frenzied finance want scurrying up to fifteen hundred, two thousand, and twentyview of the Sangre de Christo range of five hundred dollars and more. One man made fifty thousand dollar in one day in buying and selling. I saw one business place twenty feet wide, having on it a two story old frame building, of little value, the whole dear at one thousand dollars, sold at twenty thousand dollars and these put up to (This is not one of those irrigation stories) Redondo Beach is about fitwoods, encalyptus, and others are to teen miles from Los Angeles and has problem as in the East. I have been future possibility and was all backed out in the country and visited some of by eastern money. Last year fourteen main unout for two months to come. few things are some among the many of my observations. I am trying to

Our trip is to include some places Will add that we took a steamer ride while on the trip. At the island, we

I feel very much like the man who remarked, after some traveling, that he was full of scenery.

J. W. SIMMONS.

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# Maine's Hundred Harbors.

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# Tramp Attempts Hold-up.

Alpena, Mich., Aug. 2.-An unknown tramp tried to hold up Mrs. Moses Tailon, the wife of a farmer living four miles north of the city. He en-tered the house and grabbed a gun from the wall and, pointing it at the woman, demanded food and money or her life. The woman knew the gur was not loaded and ran screaming to her husband in the field. When they returned the man had disappeared.

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Grand Rapids has been chosen for the next meeting place of the American Fisheries association.

Dr. Charles A. L. Reed, who was appointed by President Roosevelt to investigate health conditions in Panama, is at Traverse City recuperating

Having lost a leg by salling from the steps of a locomotive, John W. Nichols, a Pere Marquette employe, now sues the company for \$25,000 damages

Fearful of becoming insane as the result of brooding over the death of her six children in eight days by diphtheria, Mrs. Barney Campbell of St. Joseph committed suicide.

The water color painted by George Eliot, the famous novelist, between the years 1836 and 1840, has been hung by the Schoolcraft Ladies' Library association.

Over 3,000 Germans from the principal cities in the state attended the seventh annual meeting of the state bunderfest of German societies held in

A mad dog belonging to Mrs. Hartman of Standish bit Floyd Weaver, aged 16, and another young man. When the marshal was about to kill the canine it had been spirited away. An ordinance has just been passed

by the Standish common council to close up saloons, stores and all kinds of business in the city Sundays. This

Much interest is being taken in the Indian camp meeting which begins at a well managed railway that makes it Northport Aug. 1 and continues until Aug. 21. The gathering is under the direction of the M. E. church. Labor in Bay City is so well employ

ed that contractors are having great difficulty in securing help to carry on the work that is proceeding in every part of the city.

James Warrington, aged 35, and apartments in Cook boarding house in Muskegon. Death from all evidence was causel by a hemorrhage from over indulgence in liquor.

A sympathetic boycott has been declared against the Grand Trunk railway by the Trades and Labor council of Port Huron because of the trouble between the railway and striking machinists.

Warrants have been issued for number of Grand Rapids saloonkeepers, charging them with keeping open Sundays. This is supposed to be the revenge of automobilists who have been persecuted at every turn lately.

Mrs. Van Conant of Berville, on the suing Elizabeth Bingham, formerly a hired girl, for \$5,000 for allenating her husband's affections. Van Conant, with \$800 of his personal effects, are missing from his home-and so is the hired girl.

Mrs. Chauncey Dwight and her soy George of Charlotte were thrown ou: of their rig by the horse becoming frightened at an auto while driving. Mrs. Dwight, aged 70, had her right arm broken and was otherwise in-

Fifteen marriage licenses issued in St. Joseph Sunday, with a total of 60 for the past week. A large crowd of excursionists was in the city from Chicago, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan points. Boats and trains were all Grand Trunk Railway System 135 Adams St., Chicago, III.

Port Huron, was nearly blown up by rubbing between the palms of his hands a stick of dynamite. The fristion resulted in a premature explosion which blew off his upper lip and several fingers.

Senator Emory Townsend has filed a bulky document with Gov. Warner, containing reasons why Charley Benjamin should not be appointed state oil inspector. Pan men live in Saginaw and hav at outs politically for some tim

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15,000 s abor day, Sept. 4, unions of the city when the and half a or from other towns will join in a parade and a celebration far more claborate than that part of the state has yet witnessed. As Kalamazoo is one of the strongest union centers in the state, a general hol'day will be declared in every line of trada.

The first mile of grading for the Dunkley trolley line from South Haven to Kalamazoo has been completed from the city limits of South Haven, thus disposing of the worst part of the work in the lake sand. The line will be pushed rapidly west to Bangor this summer and by spring there will be uninterrupted communication by electric railway from Erie, Pa., to Lake Michigan, of which this road is the ultimate section.

# Does This Suit You.

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. L'here ven to A. .d the furrow arned clear over . made a difference if or fail plowing. In the an the soi clear over but in all leave it on edge so that the weeds will freeze; also the cut worms will be destroyed. If there is much June grass it is much better to leave the furrow on edge. The sod packs

down too much if turned clear over. All enjoyed a pretty song by Miss Clara Getman, followed by a select reading by Mrs. L. D. Carson, "I'm Going Back to the Farm "

The ideal house dress for a woman who does her own work. Mrs. G. M. Getman said a black wool skirt unlined which oculd be easily washed and a loose waist with full sleeves and slastic at the wrist so that they could be worn the desired length was best: especially for one who had to be out in the wet grass, feeding chickens, etc.

A song by Miss Nora Stewart was enjoyed by all. The next question, Can one carry

on a farm successfully without doing manual labor himself? call forth quite a little discussion. Cases have been known where men run a farm without working on it themselves but they are rare, few people have the gift of as-

complishing much in this way. As a rule mo e or less manual labor must be done by the owner to accomplish best results

Miss Ruby Nelson gave a pleasing recitation "When Papa's Sick." Miss Vallera Warner and Mrs. Con-

visn ext gave a plano duet.

What are the first essentials of a weil furnished room? Mrs. Spaulding said the paper on the walls, a carpet or rugs to match and the curtains at the windows together with a few tasteful pictures were the first essentials. This led to a discussion of all the rooms in the house, from kitchen to parler, in regard to the use they should be put to, etc. Some one said do not have a parlor or if you do, have nothing in it too good to use every day. The kitchen was also discussed, many remarks causing much merri-

ment. Little Blooma Barrows gave a pleasing recitation, A Letter to Grandma. Mrs. Convis then gave several selections on the plane until our hostess reminded us that supper was ready. This spread was of course the crown-

ang feature of the day-enjoyed by all. A vote of thanks was given by the alub to Mr. and Mrs. Warper for their splendid entertainment and they will undoubtedly get many invitations to meet with the North Owosso Farmer's Club in the future.

The program for August will be as What effect does extensive government irrigation have on the eastern

farmer? W. Smith. The local farmers' club: Its intel lectual and business lines? Mrs. M. Setman. The cause of mottled butter and the

preventative. Mrs. F. Stiles. What to cook for threshing hands? Mrs. C. Freeman.

A desirable location for a farm. F. Give plan by which our rural cemeteries may be kept in a desirable con-

altion. C. Day. The August meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Miller, August 25.

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